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Appl. No. 09/776,908
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Further reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

In response to the Examiner's finding that the applicant has claimed a plurality of patentably distinct inventions (i.e., no one of which is made obvious in view of any other or combination of others under 35 U.S.C. §103), applicant hereby elects the patentably distinct Invention I comprising claims 42-79 and 83-99 for further substantive examination in the present application. With respect to the further species-type restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects the first identified species I on which it is believed that at least claims 42-73, 76-79, 83-85 and 87-99 (now that they have been made dependent indirectly from claim 42 or 43) are believed to be readable.

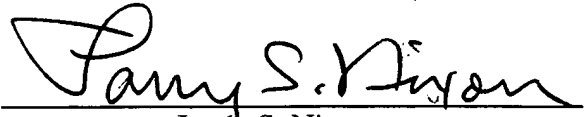
The above amendments have been made in order to make it clear that applicant does not intend to use or invoke 35 U.S.C. §112, paragraph 6 and/or to amend/delete claims directed to the non-elected patentably distinct inventions identified by the Examiner.

Accordingly, this entire application is now believed to be in order for prompt allowance and a Notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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